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NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT NASSAU COUNTY	
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CHARLES D'ESTRIES, K.L., JEFFREY KREUTZ,	
G.E.P., GERALD DACUK, PAUL KUSTES, and J.E.D.,	Date Filed:
Plaintiffs,	
,	SUMMONS
-against-	
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, ST. PATRICK'S	Plaintiffs designate Nassau
PARISH AND SCHOOL, ST. BARNABAS PARISH	County as the place of trial.
AND CHURCH, GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH AND	
CHURCH, ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH AND CHURCH, ST.	
LAWRENCE PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, ST. ANDREW'S	The basis of venue is one
PARISH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HOLY	defendant's residence.
TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL, ST. HYACINTH PARISH,	
and ALL SAINT'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL,	
	<b>Child Victims Act Proceeding</b>
Defendants.	<b>22 NYCRR 202.72</b>
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## TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiffs' attorneys within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: August 14, 2019

Respectfully Yours,

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Plaintiffs,	
-against-	<b>Child Victims Act Proceeding</b>
	<b>22 NYCRR 202.72</b>
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DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, ST. PATRICK'S PARISH AND SCHOOL, ST. BARNABAS PARISH AND CHURCH, GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH AND CHURCH, AND ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH AND CHURCH, ST. LAWRENCE PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, ST. ANDREWS PARISH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HOLY TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL, ST. HYACINTH PARISH, and ALL SAINT'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL,

Defendants.

Plaintiffs, by and through their attorneys, the Marsh Law Firm PLLC and Pfau Cochran Vertetis Amala PLLC, respectfully allege for their complaint the following:

## I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. The Diocese of Rockville Centre (the "Diocese") knew for decades that its priests, clergy, religious brother, school administrator, or teachers, religious sisters, school administrators, teachers, employees, and volunteers were using their positions within the Diocese to groom and to sexually abuse children. Despite that knowledge, the Diocese failed to take reasonable steps to protect children from being sexually abused and actively concealed the abuse.
- 2. Based on the Diocese's years of wrongful conduct, a reasonable person could and would conclude that it knowingly and recklessly disregarded the abuse of children and chose to protect its reputation and wealth over those who deserved protection. The result is not surprising: hundreds, if not thousands, of children were sexually abused by Catholic clergy and others who

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served the Diocese. The plaintiffs in this lawsuit are some of those children who were sexually abused because of the Diocese's wrongful conduct.

## II. PROCEEDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CPLR 214-G AND 22 NYCRR 202.72

3. This complaint is filed pursuant to the Child Victims Act (CVA) 2019 Sess. Law News of N.Y. Ch. 11 (S. 2440), CPLR 214-G, and 22 NVCRR 202.72. The CVA opened a historic one-year one-time window for victims and survivors of childhood sexual abuse in the State of New York to pursue lapsed claims. Prior to the passage of the CVA, each plaintiff's claims were timebarred the day they turned 22 years old. The enactment of the CVA allows plaintiffs, for the first time in their lives, to pursue restorative justice in New York State.

### III. **PARTIES**

- Plaintiff Charles d'Estries is an adult male who currently resides in Orchard Park, 4. New York.
- 5. Upon information and belief, the Diocese is currently a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Rockville Centre, New York.
- 6. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese conducted business as the "Diocese of Rockville Centre" or "Rockville Centre Diocese."
- 7. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries and his family.
- 8. Upon information and belief, Father William Karvelis ("Father Karvelis") was a priest employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries and his family. During the time Father Karvelis was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Charles d'Estries.

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9. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization during the period of time during which Father Karvelis used his position as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff Charles d'Estries, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that

- 10. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Karvelis used his position as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff Charles d'Estries, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.
- 11. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively referred to herein as the "Diocese."
- 12. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Patrick's Parish and School ("St. Patrick's") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.
- 13. Upon information and belief, St. Patrick's is currently a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Bay Shore, New York.
- 14. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's conducted business as "St. Patrick's Parish and School," "St. Patrick's Parish," "St. Patrick's School," or "St. Patrick's."
  - 15. St. Patrick's is a parish with a church and school located in Bay Shore, New York.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Father William Karvelis was a priest employed by St. Patrick's to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries and his family. During the time Father William Karvelis was employed by St. Patrick's, he used his position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Charles d'Estries.

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17. To the extent that St. Patrick's was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Karvelis used his position as a priest to sexually

abuse Charles, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be

a defendant in this lawsuit.

18. To the extent St. Patrick's is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Karvelis used his

position as a priest to sexually abuse Charles, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization

is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

19. All such St. Patrick's-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as "St. Patrick's."

20. Plaintiff K.L. is an adult male who currently resides in Bellmore, New York.

21. While he was a minor, plaintiff K.L. was a victim of one or more criminal sex acts

in the State of New York. Since such criminal violation is the basis for this action, plaintiff K.L.

is entitled to the protection of Civil Rights Law 50-b and will file a motion asking this Court for

permission to proceed using a pseudonym.

22. In the alternative, plaintiff K.L. will seek a stipulation from the defendants agreeing

to enter into a protective order which will ensure that his identity is protected from the public while

allowing the defendants full access to information necessary for their defense.

23. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff K.L. and his

family.

24. Upon information and belief, Father John Mahoney ("Father Mahoney") was a

priest employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff K.L. and his family.

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During the time Father Mahoney was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as a priest to

groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff K.L.

25. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Mahoney used his position as a priest to sexually

abuse plaintiff K.L., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended

to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

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26. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Mahoney used his

position as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff K.L., such predecessor entity, corporation, or

organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

27. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as the "Diocese."

28. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Barnabas Parish

and Church ("St. Barnabas") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York

law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.

29. Upon information and belief, St. Barnabas is currently a not-for-profit religious

corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Bellmore, New York.

30. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas conducted business

as "St. Barnabas Parish and Church," "St. Barnabas Parish," "St. Barnabas Church," or "St.

Barnabas."

31. St. Barnabas is a parish with a church located in Bellmore, New York.

32. Upon information and belief, Father John Mahoney was a priest employed by St.

Barnabas to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff K.L. and his

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family. During the time Father John Mahoney was employed by St. Barnabas, he used his position

as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff K.L.

33. To the extent that St. Barnabas was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Mahoney used his position as a priest to sexually

abuse K.L., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a

defendant in this lawsuit.

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34. To the extent St. Barnabas is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Mahoney used his

position as a priest to sexually abuse K.L., such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is

hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

35. All such St. Barnabas-related entities, corporations, or organizations are

collectively referred to herein as "St. Barnabas."

36. Plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz is an adult male who currently resides in Mastic, New York.

37. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and

his family.

38. Upon information and belief, Father Steven Peterson ("Father Peterson") was a

priest employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and

his family. During the time Father Peterson was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as

a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz.

39. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his position as a priest to sexually

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abuse plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

- 40. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his position as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.
- 41. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively referred to herein as the "Diocese."
- 42. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant Good Shepherd Parish and Church ("Good Shepherd") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.
- 43. Upon information and belief, Good Shepherd is currently a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Holbrook, New York.
- 44. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd conducted business as "Good Shepherd Parish and Church," "Good Shepherd Parish," "Good Shepherd Church," or "Good Shepherd."
  - 45. Good Shepherd is a parish with a church located in Holbrook, New York.
- 46. Upon information and belief, Father Steven Peterson was a priest employed by Good Shepherd to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and his family. During the time Father Steven Peterson was employed by Good Shepherd, he used his position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz.
- 47. To the extent that Good Shepherd was a different entity, corporation, or organization during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his position as a priest

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to sexually abuse Jeffrey, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

- 48. To the extent Good Shepherd is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his position as a priest to sexually abuse Jeffrey, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.
- 49. All such Good Shepherd-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively referred to herein as "Good Shepherd."
- 50. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Joseph's Parish and Church ("St. Joseph's") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.
- 51. Upon information and belief, St. Joseph's is currently a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Babylon, New York.
- 52. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Joseph's conducted business as "St. Joseph's Parish and Church," "St. Joseph's Parish," "St. Joseph's Church," or "St. Joseph's."
  - 53. St. Joseph's is a parish with a church located in Babylon, New York.
- 54. Upon information and belief, Father Steven Peterson was a priest employed by St. Joseph's to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and his family. During the time Father Steven Peterson was employed by St. Joseph's, he used his position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz.
- 55. To the extent that St. Joseph's was a different entity, corporation, or organization during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his position as a priest to sexually

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abuse Jeffrey, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be

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56. To the extent St. Joseph's is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Peterson used his

position as a priest to sexually abuse Jeffrey, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization

is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

57. All such St. Joseph's-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as "St. Joseph's."

58. Plaintiff G.E.P. is an adult male who currently resides in New York, New York.

While he was a minor, plaintiff G.E.P. was a victim of one or more criminal sex 59.

acts in the State of New York. Since such criminal violation is the basis for this action, plaintiff

G.E.P. is entitled to the protection of Civil Rights Law 50-b and will file a motion asking this Court

for permission to proceed using a pseudonym.

60. In the alternative, plaintiff G.E.P. will seek a stipulation from the defendants

agreeing to enter into a protective order which will ensure that his identity is protected from the

public while allowing the defendants full access to information necessary for their defense.

61. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff G.E.P. and his

family.

62. Upon information and belief, Father William Burke ("Father Burke") was a priest

employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff G.E.P. and his family.

During the time Father Burke was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as a priest to

groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff G.E.P.

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63. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Burke used his position as a priest to sexually abuse

plaintiff G.E.P., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to

be a defendant in this lawsuit.

64. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Burke used his position

as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff G.E.P., such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization

is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

65. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as the "Diocese."

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Lawrence Parochial 66.

School ("St. Lawrence") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law

and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.

67. Upon information and belief, St. Lawrence is, or was, a not-for-profit religious

corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Sayville, New York.

68. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence conducted business

as "St. Lawrence Parochial Parish," "St. Lawrence Church and School," "St. Lawrence Parish,"

"St. Lawrence Parochial School," "St. Lawrence School," or "St. Lawrence."

69. St. Lawrence is a parish with a church and school located in Sayville, New York.

70. Upon information and belief, Father William Burke was a priest employed by St.

Lawrence to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff G.E.P. and

his family. During the time Father William Burke was employed by St. Lawrence, he used his

position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff G.E.P.

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defendant in this lawsuit.

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71. To the extent that St. Lawrence was a different entity, corporation, or organization during the period of time during which Father Burke used his position as a priest to sexually abuse G.E.P., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a

- 72. To the extent St. Lawrence is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Burke used his position as a priest to sexually abuse G.E.P., such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.
- 73. All such St. Lawrence-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively referred to herein as "St. Lawrence."
- 74. Plaintiff Gerald Dacuk is an adult male who currently resides in Riverside, New Jersey.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and 75. others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff Gerald Dacuk and his family.
- 76. Upon information and belief, Father William Burke and Father Alfred Soave ("Father Burke and Father Soave") were priests employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff Gerald Dacuk and his family. During the time Father Burke and Father Soave were employed by the Diocese, they used their positions as priests to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Gerald Dacuk.
- To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization 77. during the period of time during which Father Burke and Father Soave used their positions as

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priests to sexually abuse plaintiff Gerald Dacuk, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

78. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Burke and Father Soave

used their positions as priests to sexually abuse plaintiff Gerald Dacuk, such predecessor entity,

corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

79. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as the "Diocese."

80. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Andrews Parish

and Elementary School ("St. Andrews") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under

New York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.

81. Upon information and belief, St. Andrews is currently a not-for-profit religious

corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Sag Harbor, New York.

82. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews conducted business

as "St. Andrews Parish and Elementary School," "St. Andrews Parish," "St. Andrews School," or

"St. Andrews."

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83. St. Andrews is a parish with a church and school located in Sag Harbor, New York.

84. Upon information and belief, Father William Burke and Father Alfred Soave were

priests employed by St. Andrews to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including

plaintiff Gerald Dacuk and his family. During the time Father William Burke and Father Alfred

Soave were employed by St. Andrews, they used their positions as priests to groom and to sexually

abuse plaintiff Gerald Dacuk.

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85. To the extent that St. Andrews was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Burke and Father Soave used their positions as

priests to sexually abuse Gerald, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that

it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

86. To the extent St. Andrews is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Burke and Father Soave

used their positions as priests to sexually abuse Gerald, such predecessor entity, corporation, or

organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

87. All such St. Andrews-related entities, corporations, or organizations are

collectively referred to herein as "St. Andrews."

88. Plaintiff Paul Kustes is an adult male who currently resides in Coram, New York.

89. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff Paul Kustes and

his family.

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90. Upon information and belief, Father Charles Ribaudo ("Father Ribaudo") was a

priest employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff Paul Kustes and his

family. During the time Father Ribaudo was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as a

priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Paul Kustes.

91. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Ribaudo used his position as a priest to sexually

abuse plaintiff Paul Kustes, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is

intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

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92. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Ribaudo used his position as a priest to sexually abuse plaintiff Paul Kustes, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

- 93. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively referred to herein as the "Diocese."
- 94. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant Holy Trinity High School ("Holy Trinity") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.
- 95. Upon information and belief, Holy Trinity is currently a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Hicksville, New York.
- 96. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity conducted business as "Holy Trinity High School," "Holy Trinity School," or "Holy Trinity."
  - 97. Holy Trinity is a school located in Hicksville, New York.
- 98. Upon information and belief, Father Charles Ribaudo was a priest employed by Holy Trinity to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction, including plaintiff Paul Kustes and his family. During the time Father Charles Ribaudo was employed by Holy Trinity, he used his position as a priest to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff Paul Kustes.
- 99. To the extent that Holy Trinity was a different entity, corporation, or organization during the period of time during which Father Ribaudo used his position as a priest to sexually abuse Paul, such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

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To the extent Holy Trinity is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or 100. organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Ribaudo used his position as a priest to sexually abuse Paul, such predecessor entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

- All such Holy Trinity-related entities, corporations, or organizations are 101. collectively referred to herein as "Holy Trinity."
  - 102. Plaintiff J.E.D. is an adult male who currently resides in Huntington, New York.
- 103. While he was a minor, plaintiff J.E.D. was a victim of one or more criminal sex acts in the State of New York. Since such criminal violation is the basis for this action, plaintiff J.E.D. is entitled to the protection of Civil Rights Law 50-b and will file a motion asking this Court for permission to proceed using a pseudonym.
- In the alternative, plaintiff J.E.D. will seek a stipulation from the defendants 104. agreeing to enter into a protective order which will ensure that his identity is protected from the public while allowing the defendants full access to information necessary for their defense.
- 105. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests, school administrators, teachers, and others who served various Catholic institutions and families, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family.
- 106. Upon information and belief, Father Joseph Kozlowski ("Father Kozlowski") was a priest and school administrator employed by the Diocese to serve Catholic families, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family. During the time Father Kozlowski was employed by the Diocese, he used his position as a priest and school administrator to groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff J.E.D.

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107. To the extent that the Diocese was a different entity, corporation, or organization

during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his position as a priest and school

administrator to sexually abuse plaintiff J.E.D., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby

on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

108. To the extent the Diocese is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his

position as a priest and school administrator to sexually abuse plaintiff J.E.D., such predecessor

entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this

lawsuit.

109. All such Diocese-related entities, corporations, or organizations are collectively

referred to herein as the "Diocese."

110. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant St. Hyacinth Parish

("St. Hyacinth") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New York law and

wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.

111. Upon information and belief, St. Hyacinth is a not-for-profit religious corporation

organized under New York law with its principal office in Glen Head, New York.

112. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth conducted business

as "St. Hyacinth Parish" or "St. Hyacinth."

113. St. Hyacinth is a parish with a church and school located in Glen Head, New York.

114. Upon information and belief, Father Joseph Kozlowski was a priest and school

administrator employed by St. Hyacinth to serve Catholic families in its geographic jurisdiction,

including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family. During the time Father Joseph Kozlowski was employed

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abuse plaintiff J.E.D.

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To the extent that St. Hyacinth was a different entity, corporation, or organization 115.

during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his position as a priest and school

by St. Hyacinth, he used his position as a priest and school administrator to groom and to sexually

administrator to sexually abuse J.E.D., such entity, corporation, or organization is hereby on notice

that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

To the extent St. Hyacinth is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or 116.

organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his

position as a priest and school administrator to sexually abuse J.E.D., such predecessor entity,

corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

All such St. Hyacinth-related entities, corporations, or organizations are 117.

collectively referred to herein as "St. Hyacinth."

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times defendant All Saints Regional 118.

Catholic School ("All Saints") was a not-for-profit religious corporation organized under New

York law and wholly owned, operated, and controlled by the Diocese.

119. Upon information and belief, All Saints Regional was a not-for-profit religious

corporation organized under New York law with its principal office in Glen Head, New York.

120. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saints Regional conducted

business as "All Saints Regional Catholic School," "All Saints Regional School," "All Saints

Regional," "All Saints Regional Prmary School," "All Saints," or "All Saints School."

All Saints Regional is a school located in Glen Head, New York. 121.

122. Upon information and belief, Father Joseph Kozlowski was a priest and school

administrator employed by All Saints Regional to serve Catholic families in its geographic

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jurisdiction, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family. During the time Father Joseph Kozlowski was employed by All Saints Regional, he used his position as a priest and school administrator to

groom and to sexually abuse plaintiff J.E.D.

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To the extent that All Saints Regional was a different entity, corporation, or 123. organization during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his position as a priest and school administrator to sexually abuse J.E.D., such entity, corporation, or organization is

hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

124. To the extent All Saints Regional is a successor to a different entity, corporation, or organization which existed during the period of time during which Father Kozlowski used his position as a priest and school administrator to sexually abuse J.E.D., such predecessor entity,

corporation, or organization is hereby on notice that it is intended to be a defendant in this lawsuit.

All such All Saints Regional-related entities, corporations, or organizations are 125. collectively referred to herein as "All Saints Regional."

### IV. VENUE

- 126. Venue is proper because the Diocese is a domestic corporation authorized to transact business in New York with its principal office located in Nassau County.
- Venue is proper because St. Barnabas is a domestic corporation authorized to 127. transact business in New York with its principal office located in Nassau County.
  - 128. Venue is proper because plaintiff K.L. currently resides in Bellmore, New York.
- 129. Venue is proper because Holy Trinity is a domestic corporation authorized to transact business in New York with its principal office located in Nassau County.
- 130. Venue is proper because St. Hyacinth is a domestic corporation authorized to transact business in New York with its principal office located in Nassau County.

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Venue is proper because All Saint's Regional was a domestic corporation

authorized to transact business in New York with its principal office located in Nassau County.

132. Venue is proper because Nassau is the county in which a substantial part of the

events or omissions giving rise to each plaintiff's claim occurred.

 $\mathbf{V}$ . STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF CHARLES D'ESTRIES

133. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of St.

Patrick's and held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Patrick's.

134. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Patrick's.

135. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served Catholic families at St. Patrick's, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries and his

family.

136. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Patrick's, and held out to the

public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and

controlled St. Patrick's.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for 137.

the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at St. Patrick's.

138. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for

and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Patrick's.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited 139.

from the operation of St. Patrick's, including the services of Father Karvelis and the services of

those who managed and supervised Father Karvelis.

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140. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's owned a parish,

church, and school.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's held itself out to the 141.

public as the owner of St. Patrick's.

142. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's employed priests

and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries and his family.

143. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Patrick's, and held out to the

public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and

controlled St. Patrick's.

144. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's was responsible for

and did the staffing and hiring at St. Patrick's.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's was responsible for 145.

and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Patrick's.

146. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Patrick's materially benefitted

from the operation of St. Patrick's, including the services of Father Karvelis and the services of

those who managed and supervised Father Karvelis.

147. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was a priest of

the Diocese.

148. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was on the staff

of, acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.

149. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was acting in the

course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.

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150. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was employed

by the Diocese and assigned to St. Patrick's.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was a priest of 151.

St. Patrick's.

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152. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was on the staff

of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of St. Patrick's.

153. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis was acting in the

course and scope of his employment with St. Patrick's.

154. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Karvelis had an office on

the premises of St. Patrick's.

155. When plaintiff Charles d'Estries was a minor, he and his mother were members of

the Diocese and St. Patrick's.

At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants, and 156.

employees, held Father Karvelis out to the public, to Charles, and to his mother, as their agent and

employee.

At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants, and 157.

employees, held Father Karvelis out to the public, to Charles, and to his mother, as having been

vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

158. At all relevant times, Charles and his mother reasonably relied upon the acts and

representations of the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants, and employees, and

reasonably believed that Father Karvelis was an agent or employee of those defendants who was

vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

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At all relevant times, Charles and his mother trusted Father Karvelis because the

Diocese and St. Patrick's held him out as someone who was safe and could be trusted with the

supervision, care, custody, and control of Charles.

At all relevant times, Charles and his mother believed that the Diocese and St. 160.

Patricks would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable

circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control of Charles.

161. When Charles was a minor, Father Karvelis sexually abused him.

162. Charles was sexually abused by Father Karvelis when Charles was approximately

13 to 15 years old.

Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Patrick's that Father Karvelis

was safe and trustworthy, Charles and his mother allowed Charles to be under the supervision of,

and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, including during the times

when Charles was sexually abused by Father Karvelis.

164. Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Patrick's that Father Karvelis

was safe and trustworthy, Charles and his mother allowed Charles to be under the supervision of,

and in the care, custody, and control of, Father Karvelis, including during the times when Charles

was sexually abused by Father Karvelis.

Neither Charles nor his mother would have allowed him to be under the supervision 165.

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Patrick's, or Father Karvelis if the Diocese

or St. Patrick's had disclosed to Charles or his mother that Father Karvelis was not safe and was

not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to Charles in that Father Karvelis was likely to

sexually abuse Charles.

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No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed 166.

Charles to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St.

Patrick's, or Father Karvelis if the Diocese or St. Patrick's had disclosed to Charles or his mother

that Father Karvelis was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to

Charles in that Father Karvelis was likely to sexually abuse him.

167. From approximately 1968 through 1970, Father Karvelis exploited the trust and

authority vested in him by defendants by grooming Charles to gain his trust and to obtain control

over him as part of Father Karvelis' plan to sexually molest and abuse Charles and other children.

168. Father Karvelis used his position of trust and authority as a priest of the Diocese

and of St. Patrick's to groom Charles and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when

Charles was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St.

Patrick's, and Father Karvelis.

169. At certain times, Father Karvelis' sexual abuse of Charles occurred during activities

that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and St.

Patrick's, including during trips to Father Karvelis' home

170. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's provided Father Karvelis

with the home where Charles was sexually abused as part of his employment with those

defendants.

171. Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Karvelis

was a known sexual abuser of children.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents, 172.

servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Karvelis was a known sexual

abuser of children.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to 173.

defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Karvelis' sexual abuse of children

would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of Charles and other children by

Father Karvelis.

174. At certain times between 1968 and 1970, defendants, their agents, servants, and

employees knew or should have known that Father Karvelis was sexually abusing Charles and

other children at St. Patrick's and elsewhere.

175. Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Karvelis of Charles was ongoing.

176. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Karvelis' sexual abuse of

Charles that priests and other persons serving the Diocese and St. Patrick's had used their positions

with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

177. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Karvelis' sexual abuse of

Charles that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment or counseling.

178. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Karvelis in order to conceal their

own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their reputation, and to prevent

victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of

limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that Father Karvelis would

continue to molest children.

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179. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants, and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that Father Karvelis

would use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including Charles.

180. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Karvelis would use his position with them

to sexually abuse children, including Charles.

181. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Karvelis to conceal the danger that

Father Karvelis posed to children, including Charles, so that Father Karvelis could continue

serving them despite their knowledge of that danger.

182. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe

emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including

Charles, and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical

injury as a result of their wrongful conduct.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Patrick's, their agents, servants, 183.

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal

their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and

to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute

of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other

persons would continue to molest children.

184. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese and St. Patrick's as detailed herein,

Charles sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe

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emotional and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety,

family turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental

anguish, and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all

of these injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and Charles has and/or will become

obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

VI. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF K.L.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of St. 185.

Barnabas and held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Barnabas.

186. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Barnabas.

187. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and

others who served Catholic families at St. Barnabas, including plaintiff K.L. and his family.

188. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Barnabas, and held out to the

public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and

controlled St. Barnabas.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for 189.

the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at St. Barnabas.

190. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for

and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Barnabas.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited 191.

from the operation of St. Barnabas, including the services of Father Mahoney and the services of

those who managed and supervised Father Mahoney.

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192. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas owned a parish and

church.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas held itself out to the 193.

public as the owner of St. Barnabas.

194. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas employed priests

and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff K.L. and his family.

195. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Barnabas, and held out to the

public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and

controlled St. Barnabas.

196. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas was responsible for

and did the staffing and hiring at St. Barnabas.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas was responsible for 197.

and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Barnabas.

198. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Barnabas materially benefitted

from the operation of St. Barnabas, including the services of Father Mahoney and the services of

those who managed and supervised Father Mahoney.

199. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was a priest of

the Diocese.

200. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was on the staff

of, acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.

201. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was acting in

the course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.

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202. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was employed

by the Diocese and assigned to St. Barnabas.

203. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was a priest of

St. Barnabas.

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204. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was on the staff

of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of St. Barnabas.

205. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney was acting in

the course and scope of his employment with St. Barnabas.

206. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Mahoney had an office on

the premises of St. Barnabas.

207. When plaintiff K.L. was a minor, he and his parents were members of the Diocese

and St. Barnabas.

208. At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, and

employees, held Father Mahoney out to the public, to K.L., and to his parents, as their agent and

employee.

209. At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, and

employees, held Father Mahoney out to the public, to K.L., and to his parents, as having been

vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

210. At all relevant times, K.L. and his parents reasonably relied upon the acts and

representations of the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, and employees, and

reasonably believed that Father Mahoney was an agent or employee of those defendants who was

vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

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supervision, care, custody, and control of K.L.

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At all relevant times, K.L. and his parents trusted Father Mahoney because the Diocese and St. Barnabas held him out as someone who was safe and could be trusted with the

At all relevant times, K.L. and his parents believed that the Diocese and St. 212. Barnabas would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable

circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control of K.L.

213. When K.L. was a minor, Father Mahoney sexually abused him.

214. K.L. was sexually abused by Father Mahoney when K.L. was approximately 10

years old.

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Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Barnabas that Father Mahoney 215.

was safe and trustworthy, K.L. and his parents allowed K.L. to be under the supervision of, and in

the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, including during the times when

K.L. was sexually abused by Father Mahoney.

216. Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Barnabas that Father Mahoney

was safe and trustworthy, K.L. and his parents allowed K.L. to be under the supervision of, and in

the care, custody, and control of, Father Mahoney, including during the times when K.L. was

sexually abused by Father Mahoney.

217. Neither K.L. nor his parents would have allowed him to be under the supervision

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Barnabas, or Father Mahoney if the

Diocese or St. Barnabas had disclosed to K.L. or his parents that Father Mahoney was not safe and

was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to K.L. in that Father Mahoney was likely

to sexually abuse K.L.

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No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed 218.

K.L. to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Barnabas,

or Father Mahoney if the Diocese or St. Barnabas had disclosed to K.L. or his parents that Father

Mahoney was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to K.L. in that

Father Mahoney was likely to sexually abuse him.

219. In approximately 1968, Father Mahoney exploited the trust and authority vested in

him by defendants by grooming K.L. to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of

Father Mahoney's plan to sexually molest and abuse K.L. and other children.

220. Father Mahoney used his position of trust and authority as a priest of the Diocese

and of St. Barnabas to groom K.L. and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when K.L.

was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Barnabas,

and Father Mahoney.

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221. At certain times, the sexual abuse of K.L. by Father Mahoney occurred at St.

Barnabas, including in the sacrisity at St. Barnabas.

222. At certain times, Father Mahoney's sexual abuse of K.L. occurred during activities

that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and St.

Barnabas, including during altar boy services.

Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Mahoney 223.

was a known sexual abuser of children.

224. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents,

servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Mahoney was a known sexual

abuser of children.

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225. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to

defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Mahoney's sexual abuse of children

would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of K.L. and other children by

Father Mahoney.

226. Upon information and belief, the defendants, their agents, servants, and employees,

knew or should have known that Father Mahoney was sexually abusing K.L. and other children at

St. Barnabas and elsewhere.

227. Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Mahoney of K.L. was ongoing.

228. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Mahoney's sexual abuse of

K.L. that priests and other persons serving the Diocese and St. Barnabas had used their positions

with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

229. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Mahoney's sexual abuse of

K.L. that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment or counseling.

230. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Mahoney in order to conceal

their own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their reputation, and to prevent

victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of

limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that Father Mahoney would

continue to molest children.

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Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that Father Mahoney

would use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including K.L.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, 232.

and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Mahoney would use his position with

them to sexually abuse children, including K.L.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, 233.

and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Mahoney to conceal the danger

that Father Mahoney posed to children, including K.L., so that Father Mahoney could continue

serving them despite their knowledge of that danger.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants, 234.

and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe

emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including K.L.,

and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical injury

as a result of their wrongful conduct.

235. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Barnabas, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal

their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and

to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute

of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other

persons would continue to molest children.

236. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese and St. Barnabas as detailed herein,

K.L. sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional

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and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish, and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all of these injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and K.L. has and/or will become obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

#### VII. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF JEFFREY KREUTZ

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of 237. Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's and held itself out to the public as the owner of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 238. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 239. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and others who served Catholic families at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and his family.
- 240. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, and held out to the public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 241. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for 242. and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.

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243. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited

from the operation of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, including the services of Father Peterson

and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Peterson.

244. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd owned a parish,

and church.

245. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd held itself out to

the public as the owner of Good Shepherd.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Joseph's owned a parish and 246.

church.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Joseph's held itself out to the 247.

public as the owner of St. Joseph's.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's 248.

employed priests and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz and

his family.

249. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's,

their agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Good

Shepherd and St. Joseph's, respectively, and held out to the public their agents, servants and

employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Good Shepherd and St.

Joseph's, respetively.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's 250.

were responsible for and did the staffing and hiring at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's,

respectively.

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251. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's were responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, respectively.

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's 252. materially benefitted from the operation of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, respectively, including the services of Father Peterson and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Peterson.
- 253. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was a priest of the Diocese.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was on the staff 254. of, acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was acting in the 255. course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.
- 256. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was employed by the Diocese and assigned to Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 257. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was a priest of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 258. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was on the staff of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 259. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson was acting in the course and scope of his employment with Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.
- 260. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Peterson had an office on the premises of Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's.

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When plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz was a minor, he and his parents were members of the

Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's.

262. At all relevant times, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents,

servants, and employees, held Father Peterson out to the public, to Jeffrey, and to his parents, as

their agent and employee.

263. At all relevant times, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents,

servants, and employees, held Father Peterson out to the public, to Jeffrey, and to his parents, as

having been vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

At all relevant times, Jeffrey and his parents reasonably relied upon the acts and 264.

representations of the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents, servants, and

employees, and reasonably believed that Father Peterson was an agent or employee of those

defendants who was vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

265. At all relevant times, Jeffrey and his parents trusted Father Peterson because the

Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's held him out as someone who was safe and could be

trusted with the supervision, care, custody, and control of Jeffrey.

At all relevant times, Jeffrey and his parents believed that the Diocese, Good 266.

Shepherd, and St. Joseph's would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in

comparable circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control

of Jeffrey.

267. When Jeffrey was a minor, Father Peterson sexually abused him.

268. Jeffrey was sexually abused by Father Peterson when Jeffrey was approximately

10 to 16 years old.

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Based on the representations of the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's that Father Peterson was safe and trustworthy, Jeffrey and his parents allowed Jeffrey to be under the

supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St.

Joseph's, including during the times when Jeffrey was sexually abused by Father Peterson.

270. Based on the representations of the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's that

Father Peterson was safe and trustworthy, Jeffrey and his parents allowed Jeffrey to be under the

supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, Father Peterson, including during the times

when Jeffrey was sexually abused by Father Peterson.

271. Neither Jeffrey nor his parents would have allowed him to be under the supervision

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, St. Joseph's or Father

Peterson if the Diocese, Good Shepherd, or St. Joseph's had disclosed to Jeffrey or his parents that

Father Peterson was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to Jeffrey

in that Father Peterson was likely to sexually abuse Jeffrey.

No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed

Jeffrey to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Good

Shepherd, St. Joseph's or Father Peterson if the Diocese, Good Shepherd, or St. Joseph's had

disclosed to Jeffrey or his parents that Father Peterson was not safe and was not trustworthy, and

that he in fact posed a danger to Jeffrey in that Father Peterson was likely to sexually abuse him.

273. From approximately 1972 through 1978, Father Peterson exploited the trust and

authority vested in him by the defendants by grooming Jeffrey to gain his trust and to obtain control

over him as part of Father Peterson's plan to sexually molest and abuse Jeffrey and other children.

274. Father Peterson used his position of trust and authority as a priest of the Diocese

and of Good Shepherd to groom Jeffrey and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when

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Jeffrey was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, St. Joseph's, and Father Peterson.

- At certain times, the sexual abuse of Jeffrey by Father Peterson occurred at Good 275. Shepherd, including in the rectory of Good Shepherd.
- 276. At certain times, the sexual abuse of Jeffrey by Father Peterson occurred at St. Joseph's, including in the rectory of St. Joseph's.
- 277. At certain times, the sexual abuse of Jeffrey by Father Peterson occurred when Father Peterson would use his position as a priest of the Diocese and St. Joseph's to visit him at a juvenile detention center.
- At certain times, Father Peterson's sexual abuse of Jeffrey occurred during activities that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's, including during counseling sessions at Good Shepherd, St. Joseph's, and the detention center.
- Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Peterson was a known sexual abuser of children.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents, 280. servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Peterson was a known sexual abuser of children.
- 281. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Peterson's sexual abuse of children would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of Jeffrey and other children by Father Peterson.

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At certain times between 1972 and 1978, defendants, their agents, servants, and 282. employees knew or should have known that Father Peterson was sexually abusing Jeffrey and

other children at Good Shepherd and St. Joseph's and elsewhere.

Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees 283.

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Peterson of Jeffrey was ongoing.

284. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their

agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Peterson's

sexual abuse of Jeffrey that priests and other persons serving the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St.

Joseph's had used their positions with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

285. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their

agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Peterson's

sexual abuse of Jeffrey that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment

or counseling.

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286. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their

agents, servants, and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Peterson in

order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their

reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the

extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that

Father Peterson would continue to molest children.

287. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their

agents, servants, and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that

Father Peterson would use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including

Jeffrey.

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288. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents, servants, and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Peterson would use his position with them to sexually abuse children, including Jeffrey.

289. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents, servants, and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Peterson to conceal the danger that Father Peterson posed to children, including Jeffrey, so that Father Peterson could continue serving them despite their knowledge of that danger.

290. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their agents, servants, and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including Jeffrey, and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical injury as a result of their wrongful conduct.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, their 291. agents, servants, and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other persons would continue to molest children.

292. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's as detailed herein, Jeffrey sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish, and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some NYSCEF DOC. NO. 1

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or all of these injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and Jeffrey has and/or will become obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

## VIII. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF G.E.P.

- 293. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of St. Lawrence and held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Lawrence.
- 294. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Lawrence.
- 295. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and others who served Catholic families at St. Lawrence, including plaintiff G.E.P. and his family.
- 296. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Lawrence, and held out to the public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Lawrence.
- 297. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at St. Lawrence.
- 298. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Lawrence.
- 299. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited from the operation of St. Lawrence, including the services of Father Burke and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Burke.
- 300. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence owned a parish, church, and school.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Lawrence.

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302. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence employed priests

and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff G.E.P. and his family.

303. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Lawrence, and held out to the

public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and

controlled St. Lawrence.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence was responsible for 304.

and did the staffing and hiring at St. Lawrence.

305. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence was responsible for

and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Lawrence.

306. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Lawrence materially

benefitted from the operation of St. Lawrence, including the services of Father Burke and the

services of those who managed and supervised Father Burke.

307. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was a priest of the

Diocese.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was on the staff of, 308.

acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.

309. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was acting in the

course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.

310. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was employed by

the Diocese and assigned to St. Lawrence.

311. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was a priest of St.

Lawrence.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was on the staff of, 312. was an agent of, and served as an employee of St. Lawrence.

- 313. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke was acting in the course and scope of his employment with St. Lawrence.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke had an office on the 314. premises of St. Lawrence.
- 315. When plaintiff G.E.P. was a minor, he and his mother were members of the Diocese and St. Lawrence, and G.E.P. was a student of their school at St. Lawrence.
- 316. At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, and employees, held Father Burke out to the public, to G.E.P., and to his mother, as their agent and employee.
- At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, and 317. employees, held Father Burke out to the public, to G.E.P., and to his mother, as having been vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- At all relevant times, G.E.P. and his mother reasonably relied upon the acts and 318. representations of the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, and employees, and reasonably believed that Father Burke was an agent or employee of those defendants who was vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- 319. At all relevant times, G.E.P. and his mother trusted Father Burke because the Diocese and St. Lawrence held him out as someone who was safe and could be trusted with the supervision, care, custody, and control of G.E.P.

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At all relevant times, G.E.P. and his mother believed that the Diocese and St.

Lawrence would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable

circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control of G.E.P.

321. When G.E.P. was a minor, Father Burke sexually abused him.

322. G.E.P. was sexually abused by Father Burke when G.E.P. was approximately 7

years old.

Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Lawrence that Father Burke 323.

was safe and trustworthy, G.E.P. and his mother allowed G.E.P. to be under the supervision of,

and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, including during the times

when G.E.P. was sexually abused by Father Burke.

Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Lawrence that Father Burke 324.

was safe and trustworthy, G.E.P. and his mother allowed G.E.P. to be under the supervision of,

and in the care, custody, and control of, Father Burke, including during the times when G.E.P. was

sexually abused by Father Burke.

Neither G.E.P. nor his mother would have allowed him to be under the supervision 325.

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Lawrence, or Father Burke if the Diocese

or St. Lawrence had disclosed to G.E.P. or his mother that Father Burke was not safe and was not

trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to G.E.P. in that Father Burke was likely to sexually

abuse G.E.P.

326. No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed

G.E.P. to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St.

Lawrence, or Father Burke if the Diocese or St. Lawrence had disclosed to G.E.P. or his mother

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that Father Burke was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to G.E.P.

in that Father Burke was likely to sexually abuse him.

327. In approximately 1972, Father Burke exploited the trust and authority vested in him

by defendants by grooming G.E.P. to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of Father

Burke's plan to sexually molest and abuse G.E.P. and other children.

328. Father Burke used his position of trust and authority as a priest of the Diocese and

of St. Lawrence to groom G.E.P. and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when G.E.P.

was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Lawrence,

and Father Burke.

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At certain times, the sexual abuse of G.E.P. by Father Burke occurred at St.

Lawrence, including in a room at St. Lawrence.

At certain times, Father Burke's sexual abuse of G.E.P. occurred during activities 330.

that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and St.

Lawrence, including during school activities.

Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Burke was 331.

a known sexual abuser of children.

332. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents,

servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Burke was a known sexual abuser

of children.

333. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to

defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Burke's sexual abuse of children

would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of G.E.P. and other children by

Father Burke.

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334. Upon information and belief, the defendants, their agents, servants, and employees,

knew or should have known that Father Burke posed a danger to G.E.P. and was sexually abusing

other children at St. Lawrence and elsewhere.

Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees 335.

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Burke of G.E.P. and other children

was ongoing.

336. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Burke's sexual abuse of

G.E.P. that priests and other persons serving the Diocese and St. Lawrence had used their positions

with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, 337.

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Burke's sexual abuse of

G.E.P. that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment or counseling.

338. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Burke in order to conceal their

own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their reputation, and to prevent

victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of

limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that Father Burke would continue

to molest children.

339. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants,

and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that Father Burke would

use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including G.E.P.

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340. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Burke would use his position with them

to sexually abuse children, including G.E.P.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants, 341.

and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Burke to conceal the danger that

Father Burke posed to children, including G.E.P., so that Father Burke could continue serving

them despite their knowledge of that danger.

342. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe

emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including

G.E.P., and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical

injury as a result of their wrongful conduct.

343. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Lawrence, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal

their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and

to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute

of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other

persons would continue to molest children.

344. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese and St. Lawrence as detailed herein,

G.E.P. sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional

and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family

turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish,

and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all of these

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injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and G.E.P. has and/or will become obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

## IX. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF GERALD DACUK

- 345. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of St. Andrews and held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Andrews.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, 346. and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Andrews.
- 347. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and others who served Catholic families at St. Andrews, including plaintiff Gerald Dacuk and his family.
- 348. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Andrews, and held out to the public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Andrews.
- 349. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at St. Andrews.
- 350. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Andrews.
- 351. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited from the operation of St. Andrews, including the services of Father Burke and Father Soave and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Burke and Father Soave.
- 352. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews owned a parish, church, and school.

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353. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Andrews.

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews employed priests 354. and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff Gerald Dacuk and his family.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews, its agents, servants, 355. and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Andrews, and held out to the public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Andrews.
- 356. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews was responsible for and did the staffing and hiring at St. Andrews.
- 357. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Andrews.
- 358. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Andrews materially benefitted from the operation of St. Andrews, including the services of Father Burke and Father Soave and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Burke and Father Soave.
- 359. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave were priests of the Diocese.
- 360. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave were on the staff of, acted as agents of, and served as employees of the Diocese.
- 361. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave were acting in the course and scope of their employment with the Diocese.
- 362. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave were employed by the Diocese and assigned to St. Andrews.

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Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave 363.

were priests of St. Andrews.

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364. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave

were on the staff of, were agents of, and served as employees of St. Andrews.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave 365.

were acting in the course and scope of their employment with St. Andrews.

366. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Burke and Father Soave

had offices on the premises of St. Andrews.

367. When plaintiff Gerald Dacuk was a minor, he and his parents were members of the

Diocese and St. Andrews.

At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants, and 368.

employees, held Father Burke and Father Soave out to the public, to Gerald, and to his parents, as

their agents and employees.

At all relevant times, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants, and

employees, held Father Burke and Father Soave out to the public, to Gerald, and to his parents, as

having been vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

370. At all relevant times, Gerald and his parents reasonably relied upon the acts and

representations of the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants, and employees, and

reasonably believed that Father Burke and Father Soave were agents or employees of those

defendants who were vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.

At all relevant times, Gerald and his parents trusted Father Burke and Father Soave

because the Diocese and St. Andrews held them out as people who were safe and could be trusted

with the supervision, care, custody, and control of Gerald.

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372. At all relevant times, Gerald and his parents believed that the Diocese and St.

Andrews would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable

circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control of Gerald.

373. When Gerald was a minor, Father Burke and Father Soave sexually abused him.

374. Gerald was sexually abused by Father Soave when Gerald was approximately 8 to

11 years old.

375. Gerald was sexually abused by Father Burke when Gerald was approximately 10

to 14 years old.

376. Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Andrews that Father Burke and

Father Soave were safe and trustworthy, Gerald and his parents allowed Gerald to be under the

supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese and St. Andrews, including

during the times when Gerald was sexually abused by Father Burke and Father Soave.

Based on the representations of the Diocese and St. Andrews that Father Burke and 377.

Father Soave were safe and trustworthy, Gerald and his parents allowed Gerald to be under the

supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, Father Burke or Father Soave, including

during the times when Gerald was sexually abused by Father Burke or Father Soave.

378. Neither Gerald nor his parents would have allowed him to be under the supervision

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Andrews, Father Burke, or Father Soave

if the Diocese or St. Andrews had disclosed to Gerald or his parents that Father Burke and Father

Soave were not safe and were not trustworthy, and that they in fact posed a danger to Gerald in

that Father Burke and Father Soave were likely to sexually abuse Gerald.

379. No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed

Gerald to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St.

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abuse him.

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Andrews, Father Burke, or Father Soave if the Diocese or St. Andrews had disclosed to Gerald or his parents that Father Burke and Father Soave were not safe and were not trustworthy, and that they in fact posed a danger to Gerald in that Father Burke and Father Soave were likely to sexually

- 380. From approximately 1973 through 1976, Father Soave exploited the trust and authority vested in him by defendants by grooming Gerald to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of Father Soave's plan to sexually molest and abuse Gerald and other children.
- From approximately 1974 through 1979, Father Burke exploited the trust and 381. authority vested in him defendants by grooming Gerald to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of Father Burke's plan to sexually molest and abuse Gerald and other children.
- 382. Father Burke and Father Soave used their position of trust and authority as priests of the Diocese and of St. Andrews to groom Gerald and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when Gerald was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Andrews, Father Burke, and/or Father Soave.
- At certain times, the sexual abuse of Gerald by Father Burke and Father Soave 383. occurred at St. Andrews, including in rooms at St. Andrews.
- 384. At certain times, Father Burke and Father Soave's sexual abuse of Gerald occurred during activities that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and St. Andrews, including during school activities.
- 385. Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Burke and Father Soave were known sexual abusers of children.

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386. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Burke and Father Soave were

known sexual abusers of children.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to 387.

defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Burke and Father Soave's sexual

abuse of children would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of Gerald and

other children by Father Burke and Father Soave.

388. At certain times between 1973 and 1979, defendants, their agents, servants, and

employees knew or should have known that Father Burke and Father Soave were sexually abusing

Gerald and other children at St. Andrews and elsewhere.

389. Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Burke and Father Soave of Gerald

was ongoing.

390. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known that Father Burke and Father Soave were likely to

abuse children, including Gerald, because their nuns would deliver Gerald to Father Burke and

Father Soave and leave him alone with them at the church.

391. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Burke and Father Soave's

sexual abuse of Gerald that priests and other persons serving the Diocese and St. Andrews had

used their positions with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

392. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Burke and Father Soave's

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sexual abuse of Gerald that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment

or counseling.

393. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Burke and Father Soave in order

to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from them, to protect their reputation,

and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse by them from coming forward during the extremely

limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that Father Burke

and Father Soave would continue to molest children.

394. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that Father Burke and

Father Soave would use their positions with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including

Gerald.

395. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Burke and Father Soave would use their

positions with them to sexually abuse children, including Gerald.

396. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Burke and/or Father Soave to

conceal the danger that Father Burke and/or Father Soave posed to children, including Gerald, so

that Father Burke and Father Soave could continue serving them despite their knowledge of that

danger.

397. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe

emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including

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Gerald, and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical injury as a result of their wrongful conduct.

398. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and St. Andrews, their agents, servants, and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other persons would continue to molest children.

399. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese and St. Andrews as detailed herein, Gerald sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish, and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all of these injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and Gerald has and/or will become obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

## X. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF PAUL KUSTES

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of 400. Holy Trinity and held itself out to the public as the owner of Holy Trinity.
- 401. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Holy Trinity.
- 402. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests and others who served Catholic families at Holy Trinity, including plaintiff Paul Kustes and his family.
- 403. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Holy Trinity, and held out to the

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public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Holy Trinity.

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for 404. the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at Holy Trinity.
- 405. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at Holy Trinity.
- 406. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited from the operation of Holy Trinity, including the services of Father Ribaudo and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Ribaudo.
  - 407. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity owned a school.
- 408. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity held itself out to the public as the owner of Holy Trinity.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity employed priests 409. and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff Paul Kustes and his family.
- 410. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Holy Trinity, and held out to the public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled Holy Trinity.
- 411. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity was responsible for and did the staffing and hiring at Holy Trinity.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity was responsible for 412. and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at Holy Trinity.

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413. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Holy Trinity materially benefitted from the operation of Holy Trinity, including the services of Father Ribaudo and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Ribaudo.

- 414. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was a priest of the Diocese.
- 415. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was on the staff of, acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was acting in the 416. course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.
- 417. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was employed by the Diocese and assigned to Holy Trinity.
- 418. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was a priest of Holy Trinity.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was on the staff 419. of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of Holy Trinity.
- 420. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo was acting in the course and scope of his employment with Holy Trinity.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Ribaudo had an office on 421. the premises of Holy Trinity.
- 422. When plaintiff Paul Kustes was a minor, he and his parents were members of the Diocese and Holy Trinity.

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At all relevant times, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and employees, held Father Ribaudo out to the public, to Paul, and to his parents, as their agent and employee.

- At all relevant times, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and 424. employees, held Father Ribaudo out to the public, to Paul, and to his parents, as having been vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- 425. At all relevant times, Paul and his parents reasonably relied upon the acts and representations of the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and employees, and reasonably believed that Father Ribaudo was an agent or employee of those defendants who was vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- At all relevant times, Paul and his parents trusted Father Ribaudo because the 426. Diocese and Holy Trinity held him out as someone who was safe and could be trusted with the supervision, care, custody, and control of Paul.
- At all relevant times, Paul and his parents believed that the Diocese and Holy Trinity would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control of Paul.
  - 428. When Paul was a minor, Father Ribaudo sexually abused him.
- 429. Paul was sexually abused by Father Ribaudo when Paul was approximately 15 to 16 years old.
- Based on the representations of the Diocese and Holy Trinity that Father Ribaudo 430. was safe and trustworthy, Paul and his parents allowed Paul to be under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, including during the times when Paul was sexually abused by Father Ribaudo.

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Based on the representations of the Diocese and Holy Trinity that Father Ribaudo

was safe and trustworthy, Paul and his parents allowed Paul to be under the supervision of, and in

the care, custody, and control of, Father Ribaudo, including during the times when Paul was

sexually abused by Father Ribaudo.

432. Neither Paul nor his parents would have allowed him to be under the supervision

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Holy Trinity, or Father Ribaudo if the Diocese

or Holy Trinity had disclosed to Paul or his parents that Father Ribaudo was not safe and was not

trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to Paul in that Father Ribaudo was likely to sexually

abuse Paul.

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No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed 433.

Paul to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Holy Trinity,

or Father Ribaudo if the Diocese or Holy Trinity had disclosed to Paul or his parents that Father

Ribaudo was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to Paul in that

Father Ribaudo was likely to sexually abuse him.

434. In approximately 1977, Father Ribaudo exploited the trust and authority vested in

him by defendants by grooming Paul to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of

Father Ribaudo's plan to sexually molest and abuse Paul and other children.

435. Father Ribaudo used his position of trust and authority as a priest of the Diocese

and of Holy Trinity to groom Paul and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when Paul

was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, Holy Trinity,

and Father Ribaudo.

436. At certain times, the sexual abuse of Paul by Father Ribaudo occurred at Holy

Trinity, including in Father Ribaudo's office at Holy Trinity High School.

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At certain times, Father Ribaudo's sexual abuse of Paul occurred during activities that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese and Holy

Trinity, including during school activities.

Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Ribaudo 438.

was a known sexual abuser of children.

439. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents,

servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Ribaudo was a known sexual

abuser of children.

440. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to

defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Ribaudo's sexual abuse of children

would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of Paul and other children by

Father Ribaudo.

441. Upon information and belief, the defendants, their agents, servants, and employees,

knew or should have known that Father Ribaudo was sexually abusing Paul and other children at

Holy Trinity and elsewhere.

Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees 442.

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Ribaudo of Paul was ongoing.

443. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants,

and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Ribaudo's sexual abuse of

Paul that priests and other persons serving the Diocese and Holy Trinity had used their positions

with those defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

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Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, 444. and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father Ribaudo's sexual abuse of Paul that such priests and other persons could not be "cured" through treatment or counseling.

- Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, 445. and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Ribaudo in order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that Father Ribaudo would continue to molest children.
- Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that Father Ribaudo would use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including Paul.
- 447. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Ribaudo would use his position with them to sexually abuse children, including Paul.
- Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, 448. and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Ribaudo to conceal the danger that Father Ribaudo posed to children, including Paul, so that Father Ribaudo could continue serving them despite their knowledge of that danger.
- 449. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants, and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on others, including Paul,

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and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical injury

as a result of their wrongful conduct.

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450. Upon information and belief, the Diocese and Holy Trinity, their agents, servants,

and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests and others in order to conceal

their own bad acts in failing to protect children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and

to prevent victims of such sexual abuse from coming forward during the extremely limited statute

of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that those priests and other

persons would continue to molest children.

451. By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese and Holy Trinity as detailed herein,

Paul sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional

and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family

turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish,

and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all of these

injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and Paul has and/or will become obligated to expend

sums of money for treatment.

XI. STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO PLAINTIFF J.E.D.

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was the owner of St. 452.

Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional and held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Hyacinth

and All Saint's Regional.

453. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants,

and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Hyacinth and All Saint's

Regional.

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454. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese employed priests, school administrators, teachers, and others who served Catholic families at St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family.

- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese, its agents, servants, 455. and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional, and held out to the public its agents, servants, and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional.
- 456. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for the hiring and staffing, and did the hiring and staffing, at St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional.
- 457. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional.
- 458. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times the Diocese materially benefited from the operation of St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional, including the services of Father Kozlowski and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Kozlowski.
- 459. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth owned a parish and church.
- 460. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth held itself out to the public as the owner of St. Hyacinth.
- 461. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth employed priests, school administrators, teachers, and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family.
- 462. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Hyacinth, and held out to the

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public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled St. Hyacinth.

- 463. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth was responsible for and did the staffing and hiring at St. Hyacinth.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth was responsible for 464. and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at St. Hyacinth.
- 465. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times St. Hyacinth materially benefitted from the operation of St. Hyacinth, including the services of Father Kozlowski and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Kozlowski.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional owned a 466. school.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional held itself 467. out to the public as the owner of All Saint's Regional.
- 468. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional employed priests, school administrators, teachers, and others who served Catholic families, including plaintiff J.E.D. and his family.
- 469. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional, its agents, servants, and employees managed, maintained, operated, and controlled All Saint's Regional, and held out to the public its agents, servants and employees as those who managed, maintained, operated, and controlled All Saint's Regional.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional was 470. responsible for and did the staffing and hiring at All Saint's Regional.

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471. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional was responsible for and did the recruitment and staffing of volunteers at All Saint's Regional.

- 472. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times All Saint's Regional materially benefitted from the operation of All Saint's Regional, including the services of Father Kozlowski and the services of those who managed and supervised Father Kozlowski.
- 473. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was a priest and school administrator of the Diocese.
- Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was on the 474. staff of, acted as an agent of, and served as an employee of the Diocese.
- 475. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was acting in the course and scope of his employment with the Diocese.
- 476. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was employed by the Diocese and assigned to St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional.
- 477. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was a priest and school administrator of St. Hyacinth.
- 478. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was on the staff of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of St. Hyacinth.
- 479. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was acting in the course and scope of his employment with St. Hyacinth.
- 480. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski had an office on the premises of St. Hyacinth.
- 481. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was a priest and school administrator of All Saint's Regional.

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482. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was on the staff of, was an agent of, and served as an employee of All Saint's Regional.

- 483. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski was acting in the course and scope of his employment with All Saint's Regional.
- 484. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Father Kozlowski had an office on the premises of All Saint's Regional.
- 485. When plaintiff J.E.D. was a minor, he and his parents were members of the Diocese and St. Hyacinth, and J.E.D. was a student of All Saint's Regional.
- 486. At all relevant times, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, their agents, servants, and employees, held Father Kozlowski out to the public, to J.E.D., and to his parents, as their agent and employee.
- At all relevant times, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, their 487. agents, servants, and employees, held Father Kozlowski out to the public, to J.E.D., and to his parents, as having been vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- At all relevant times, J.E.D. and his parents reasonably relied upon the acts and 488. representations of the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, their agents, servants, and employees, and reasonably believed that Father Kozlowski was an agent or employee of those defendants who was vetted, screened, and approved by those defendants.
- 489. At all relevant times, J.E.D. and his parents trusted Father Kozlowski because the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional held him out as someone who was safe and could be trusted with the supervision, care, custody, and control of J.E.D.
- 490. At all relevant times, J.E.D. and his parents believed that the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional would exercise such care as would a parent of ordinary prudence in

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comparable circumstances when those defendants assumed supervision, care, custody, and control

of J.E.D.

491. When J.E.D. was a minor, Father Kozlowski sexually abused him.

492. J.E.D. was sexually abused by Father Kozlowski when he was approximately 7

years old.

493. Based on the representations of the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional

that Father Kozlowski was safe and trustworthy, J.E.D. and his parents allowed J.E.D. to be under

the supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All

Saint's Regional, including during the times when J.E.D. was sexually abused by Father

Kozlowski.

494. Based on the representations of the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional

that Father Kozlowski was safe and trustworthy, J.E.D. and his parents allowed J.E.D. to be under

the supervision of, and in the care, custody, and control of, Father Kozlowski, including during the

times when J.E.D. was sexually abused by Father Kozlowski.

495. Neither J.E.D. nor his parents would have allowed him to be under the supervision

of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional, or

Father Kozlowski if the Diocese or St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional had disclosed to J.E.D.

or his parents that Father Kozlowski was not safe and was not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed

a danger to J.E.D. in that Father Kozlowski was likely to sexually abuse J.E.D.

496. No parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances would have allowed

J.E.D. to be under the supervision of, or in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St.

Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional, or Father Kozlowski if the Diocese or St. Hyacinth and All

Saint's Regional had disclosed to J.E.D. or his parents that Father Kozlowski was not safe and was

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not trustworthy, and that he in fact posed a danger to J.E.D. in that Father Kozlowski was likely to sexually abuse him.

From approximately 1991 through 1992, Father Kozlowski exploited the trust and 497. authority vested in him by defendants by grooming J.E.D. to gain his trust and to obtain control over him as part of Father Kozlowski's plan to sexually molest and abuse J.E.D. and other children.

498. Father Kozlowski used his position of trust and authority as a priest and school administrator of the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional to groom J.E.D. and to sexually abuse him multiple times, including when J.E.D. was under the supervision of, and in the care, custody, or control of, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, All Saint's Regional, and Father Kozlowski.

At certain times, the sexual abuse of J.E.D. by Father Kozlowski occurred at St. 499. Hyacinth, including at Father Kozlowski's office.

At certain times, Father Kozlowski's sexual abuse of J.E.D. occurred during 500. activities that were sponsored by, or were a direct result of activities sponsored by, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, including altar boy services and school activities when Father Kozlowski would take J.E.D. out of class and sexually abuse him.

- 501. Upon information and belief, prior to the times mentioned herein, Father Kozlowski was a known sexual abuser of children.
- 502. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known that Father Kozlowski was a known sexual abuser of children.
- 503. Upon information and belief, at all relevant times it was reasonably foreseeable to defendants, their agents, servants, and employees that Father Kozlowski's sexual abuse of children

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would likely result in injury to others, including the sexual abuse of J.E.D. and other children by

Father Kozlowski.

504. At certain times between 1991 and 1992, defendants, their agents, servants, and

employees knew or should have known that Father Kozlowski was sexually abusing J.E.D. and

other children at St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional and elsewhere.

505. Upon information and belief, defendants, their agents, servants, and employees

knew or should have known that the sexual abuse by Father Kozlowski of J.E.D. was ongoing.

506. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father

Kozlowski's sexual abuse of J.E.D. that priests, school administrators, teachers, and other persons

serving the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional had used their positions with those

defendants to groom and to sexually abuse children.

507. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, knew or should have known before and during Father

Kozlowski's sexual abuse of J.E.D. that such priests, school administrators, teachers, and other

persons could not be "cured" through treatment or counseling.

508. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by Father Kozlowski

in order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect children from him, to protect their

reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse by him from coming forward during the

extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of the CVA, despite knowing that

Father Kozlowski would continue to molest children.

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Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, 509.

their agents, servants, and employees, consciously and recklessly disregarded their knowledge that

Father Kozlowski would use his position with the defendants to sexually abuse children, including

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510. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, disregarded their knowledge that Father Kozlowski would

use his position with them to sexually abuse children, including J.E.D.

511. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, acted in concert with each other or with Father Kozlowski

to conceal the danger that Father Kozlowski posed to children, including J.E.D., so that Father

Kozlowski could continue serving them despite their knowledge of that danger.

Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, 512.

their agents, servants, and employees, knew that their negligent, reckless, and outrageous conduct

would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, as well as personal physical injury, on

others, including J.E.D., and he did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and

personal physical injury as a result of their wrongful conduct.

513. Upon information and belief, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional,

their agents, servants, and employees, concealed the sexual abuse of children by priests, school

administrators, teachers, and others in order to conceal their own bad acts in failing to protect

children from being abused, to protect their reputation, and to prevent victims of such sexual abuse

from coming forward during the extremely limited statute of limitations prior to the enactment of

the CVA, despite knowing that those priests, school administrators, teachers, and other persons

would continue to molest children.

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By reason of the wrongful acts of the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional as detailed herein, J.E.D. sustained physical and psychological injuries, including but not limited to, severe emotional and psychological distress, humiliation, fright, dissociation, anger, depression, anxiety, family turmoil and loss of faith, a severe shock to his nervous system, physical pain and mental anguish, and emotional and psychological damage, and, upon information and belief, some or all of these injuries are of a permanent and lasting nature, and J.E.D. has and/or will become obligated to expend sums of money for treatment.

## CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF CHARLES D'ESTRIES XII. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE

- 515. Plaintiff Charles d'Estries repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.
- 516. The Diocese and St. Patrick's had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect plaintiff Charles d'Estries, a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control.
- 517. The Diocese and St. Patrick's also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent Father Karvelis from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his position with the defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including Charles.
- The Diocese and St. Patrick's were supervising Charles, and had care, custody, and 518. control of Charles, when he was a parishioner at St. Patrick's and at other times, during which time those defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.
- 519. These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and Charles, and between St. Patrick's and Charles, which imposed on each of those defendants a duty to exercise the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances.

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520. The Diocese and St. Patrick's breached each of the foregoing duties by failing to

exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Karvelis from harming Charles, including sexually

abusing him.

In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father 521.

Karvelis, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Charles, his mother, and other parents of the danger

of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Charles and other children

who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St.

Patrick's created a risk that Charles would be sexually abused by Father Karvelis. The Diocese

and St. Patrick's through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed Charles in

danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

522. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Karvelis, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Charles, his mother, and other parents of the danger

of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Charles and other children

who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St.

Patrick's acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect Charles. The Diocese

and St. Patrick's through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed Charles in

danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

523. It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of Charles.

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As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese and St.

Patrick's, Father Karvelis groomed and sexually abused Charles, which has caused Charles to

suffer general and special damages as more fully described herein.

B. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

525. Plaintiff Charles d'Estries repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and

below.

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The Diocese and St. Patrick's engaged in reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct 526.

by providing Father Karvelis with access to children, including plaintiff Charles d'Estries, despite

knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually abuse them, including

Charles. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds the reasonable bounds

of decency as measured by what the average member of the community would tolerate and

demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

527. As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Karvelis

gained access to Charles and sexually abused him.

528. The Diocese and St. Patrick's knew that this reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including personal physical

injury, on others, and Charles did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and

personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional

and physical distress.

CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF K.L.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE Α.

529. Plaintiff K.L. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

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530. The Diocese and St. Barnabas had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect plaintiff

K.L., a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their care,

custody, and control.

531. The Diocese and St. Barnabas also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent

Father Mahoney from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his position with the

defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including K.L.

532. The Diocese and St. Barnabas were supervising K.L., and had care, custody, and

control of K.L., when he served as an altar boy and at other times, during which time those

defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.

These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and K.L., 533.

and between St. Barnabas and K.L., which imposed on each of those defendants a duty to exercise

the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances.

534. The Diocese and St. Barnabas breached each of the foregoing duties by failing to

exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Mahoney from harming K.L., including sexually

abusing him.

535. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Mahoney, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn K.L., his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for K.L. and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St. Barnabas

created a risk that K.L. would be sexually abused by Father Mahoney. The Diocese and St.

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Barnabas through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed K.L. in danger of

unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

536. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Mahoney, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn K.L., his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for K.L. and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St. Barnabas

acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect K.L. The Diocese and St.

Barnabas through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed K.L. in danger of

unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

537. It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of K.L.

538. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese and St.

Barnabas, Father Mahoney groomed and sexually abused K.L., which has caused K.L. to suffer

general and special damages as more fully described herein.

B. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

539. Plaintiff K.L. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

540. The Diocese and St. Barnabas engaged in reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct by providing Father Mahoney with access to children, including plaintiff K.L., despite

knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually abuse them, including K.L.

Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds the reasonable bounds of

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decency as measured by what the average member of the community would tolerate and

demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

541. As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Mahoney

gained access to K.L. and sexually abused him.

542. The Diocese and St. Barnabas knew that this reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including personal physical

injury, on others, and K.L. did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and

personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional

and physical distress.

XIV. CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF JEFFREY KREUTZ

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE A.

543. Plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and

below.

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544. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's had a duty to take reasonable steps

to protect plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz, a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their

supervision and in their care, custody, and control.

545. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's also had a duty to take reasonable

steps to prevent Father Peterson from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his

position with the defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including Jeffrey.

The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's were supervising Jeffrey, and had 546.

care, custody, and control of Jeffrey, when he attended both churches, when he was in counseling

sessions with Father Peterson at both churches, and at other times, during which time those

defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.

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These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and Jeffrey, between Good Shepherd and Jeffrey, and between St. Joseph's and Jeffrey, which imposed on

each of those defendants a duty to exercise the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in

comparable circumstances.

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548. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's breached each of the foregoing

duties by failing to exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Peterson from harming Jeffrey,

including sexually abusing him.

549. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Peterson, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Jeffrey, his parents, and other parents of the danger

of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Jeffrey and other children

who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese, Good

Shepherd, and St. Joseph's created a risk that Jeffrey would be sexually abused by Father Peterson.

The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's through their actions and inactions created an

environment that placed Jeffrey in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

550. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Peterson, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Jeffrey, his parents, and other parents of the danger

of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Jeffrey and other children

who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese, Good

Shepherd, and St. Joseph's acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect

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Jeffrey. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed Jeffrey in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the

circumstances.

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It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would 551.

result in the sexual abuse of Jeffrey.

552. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese, Good

Shepherd, and St. Joseph's, Father Peterson groomed and sexually abused Jeffrey, which has

caused Jeffrey to suffer general and special damages as more fully described herein.

В. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION **OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS** 

553. Plaintiff Jeffrey Kreutz repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and

below.

554. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's engaged in reckless, extreme, and

outrageous conduct by providing Father Peterson with access to children, including plaintiff

Jeffrey Kreutz, despite knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually

abuse them, including Jeffrey. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds

the reasonable bounds of decency as measured by what the average member of the community

would tolerate and demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Peterson 555.

gained access to Jeffrey and sexually abused him.

556. The Diocese, Good Shepherd, and St. Joseph's knew that this reckless, extreme,

and outrageous conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including

personal physical injury, on others, and Jeffrey did in fact suffer severe emotional and

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psychological distress and personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional and physical distress.

> XV. CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF G.E.P.

A. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - NEGLIGENCE

557. Plaintiff G.E.P. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

558. The Diocese and St. Lawrence had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect

plaintiff G.E.P., a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their

care, custody, and control.

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559. The Diocese and St. Lawrence also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent

Father Burke from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his position with the

defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including G.E.P.

560. The Diocese and St. Lawrence were supervising G.E.P., and had care, custody, and

control of G.E.P., when he was a student at St. Lawrence and at other times, during which time

those defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.

561. These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and G.E.P.,

and between St. Lawrence and G.E.P., which imposed on each of those defendants a duty to

exercise the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances.

The Diocese and St. Lawrence breached each of the foregoing duties by failing to 562.

exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Burke from harming G.E.P., including sexually abusing

him.

563. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Burke, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to him,

failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from sexual

abuse and other harm, failing to warn G.E.P., his parents, and other parents of the danger of sexual

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abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for G.E.P. and other children who were

under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St. Lawrence

created a risk that G.E.P. would be sexually abused by Father Burke. The Diocese and St.

Lawrence through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed G.E.P. in danger

of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

564. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Burke, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to him,

failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from sexual

abuse and other harm, failing to warn G.E.P., his parents, and other parents of the danger of sexual

abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for G.E.P. and other children who were

under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and St. Lawrence acted

willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect G.E.P. The Diocese and St. Lawrence

through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed G.E.P. in danger of

unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

565. It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of G.E.P.

566. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese and St.

Lawrence, Father Burke groomed and sexually abused G.E.P., which has caused G.E.P. to suffer

general and special damages as more fully described herein.

B. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

567. Plaintiff G.E.P. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

568. The Diocese and St. Lawrence engaged in reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct by providing Father Burke with access to children, including plaintiff G.E.P., despite

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knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually abuse them, including

G.E.P. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds the reasonable bounds of

decency as measured by what the average member of the community would tolerate and

demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Burke gained 569.

access to G.E.P. and sexually abused him.

570. The Diocese and St. Lawrence knew that this reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including personal physical

injury, on others, and G.E.P. did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and

personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional

and physical distress.

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XVI. CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF GERALD DACUK

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE Α.

Plaintiff Gerald Dacuk repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below. 571.

The Diocese and St. Andrews had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect plaintiff 572.

Gerald Dacuk, a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their

care, custody, and control.

573. The Diocese and St. Andrews also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent

Father Burke and Father Soave from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of their

positions with the defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including Gerald.

574. The Diocese and St. Andrews were supervising Gerald, and had care, custody, and

control of Gerald, when he was a parishioner of St. Andrews, when he attended St. Andrews as a

student, and at other times, during which time those defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps

to protect him.

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575. These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and Gerald, and between St. Andrews and Gerald, which imposed on each of those defendants a duty to

exercise the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances.

576. The Diocese and St. Andrews breached each of the foregoing duties by failing to

exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Burke and Father Soave from harming Gerald, including

sexually abusing him.

577. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Burke and Father Soave, giving them access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and

instrumentalities to them, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to

protect children from sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Gerald, his parents, and other

parents of the danger of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for

Gerald and other children who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control,

the Diocese and St. Andrews created a risk that Gerald would be sexually abused by Father Burke

and Father Soave. The Diocese and St. Andrews through their actions and inactions created an

environment that placed Gerald in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

578. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Burke and Father Soave, giving them access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and

instrumentalities to them, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to

protect children from sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Gerald, his parents, and other

parents of the danger of sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for

Gerald and other children who were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control,

the Diocese and St. Andrews acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect

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Gerald. The Diocese and St. Andrews through their actions and inactions created an environment

that placed Gerald in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

579. It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of Gerald.

580. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese and St.

Andrews, Father Burke and Father Soave groomed and sexually abused Gerald, which has caused

Gerald to suffer general and special damages as more fully described herein.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION В. OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

581. Plaintiff Gerald Dacuk repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

582. The Diocese and St. Andrews engaged in reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct by providing Father Burke and Father Soave with access to children, including plaintiff

Gerald Dacuk, despite knowing that they would likely use their positions to groom and to sexually

abuse them, including Gerald. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds

the reasonable bounds of decency as measured by what the average member of the community

would tolerate and demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

583. As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Burke and

Father Soave gained access to Gerald and sexually abused him.

584. The Diocese and St. Andrews knew that this reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including personal physical

injury, on others, and Gerald did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and

personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional

and physical distress.

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XVII. CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF PAUL KUSTES

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – NEGLIGENCE A.

585. Plaintiff Paul Kustes repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

586. The Diocese and Holy Trinity had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect plaintiff

Paul Kustes, a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their care,

custody, and control.

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587. The Diocese and Holy Trinity also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent

Father Ribaudo from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his position with the

defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including Paul.

588. The Diocese and Holy Trinity were supervising Paul, and had care, custody, and

control of Paul, when he was a student at Holy Trinity and at other times, during which time those

defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.

589. These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and Paul,

and between Holy Trinity and Paul, which imposed on each of those defendants a duty to exercise

the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable circumstances.

590. The Diocese and Holy Trinity breached each of the foregoing duties by failing to

exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Ribaudo from harming Paul, including sexually abusing

him.

591. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Ribaudo, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Paul, his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Paul and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and Holy Trinity

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created a risk that Paul would be sexually abused by Father Ribaudo. The Diocese and Holy Trinity

through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed Paul in danger of

unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

592. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Ribaudo, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn Paul, his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for Paul and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese and Holy Trinity

acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect Paul. The Diocese and Holy

Trinity through their actions and inactions created an environment that placed Paul in danger of

unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

593. It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of Paul.

594. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese and Holy

Trinity, Father Ribaudo groomed and sexually abused Paul, which has caused Paul to suffer

general and special damages as more fully described herein.

B. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

595. Plaintiff Paul Kustes repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.

596. The Diocese and Holy Trinity engaged in reckless, extreme, and outrageous

conduct by providing Father Ribaudo with access to children, including plaintiff Paul Kustes,

despite knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually abuse them,

including Paul. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds the reasonable

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bounds of decency as measured by what the average member of the community would tolerate and demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

597. As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Ribaudo gained access to Paul and sexually abused him.

598. The Diocese and Holy Trinity knew that this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress, including personal physical injury, on others, and Paul did in fact suffer severe emotional and psychological distress and personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish, humiliation and emotional and physical distress.

## XVIII. CAUSES OF ACTION AS TO PLAINTIFF J.E.D.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION - NEGLIGENCE A.

- 599. Plaintiff J.E.D. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below.
- 600. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect plaintiff J.E.D., a child, from foreseeable harm when he was under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control.
- 601. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional also had a duty to take reasonable steps to prevent Father Kozlowski from using the tasks, premises, and instrumentalities of his position with the defendants to target, groom, and sexually abuse children, including J.E.D.
- 602. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional were supervising J.E.D., and had care, custody, and control of J.E.D., when he served as an altar boy, when he was a student in their school, and at other times, during which time those defendants had a duty to take reasonable steps to protect him.
- 603. These circumstances created a special relationship between the Diocese and J.E.D., and between St. Hyacinth and All Saint's Regional and J.E.D., which imposed on each of those

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defendants a duty to exercise the degree of care of a parent of ordinary prudence in comparable

circumstances.

604. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional breached each of the foregoing

duties by failing to exercise reasonable care to prevent Father Kozlowski from harming J.E.D.,

including sexually abusing him.

605. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Kozlowski, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn J.E.D., his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for J.E.D. and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and

All Saint's Regional created a risk that J.E.D. would be sexually abused by Father Kozlowski. The

Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional through their actions and inactions created an

environment that placed J.E.D. in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

606. In breaching their duties, including hiring, retaining, and failing to supervise Father

Kozlowski, giving him access to children, entrusting their tasks, premises, and instrumentalities to

him, failing to train their personnel in the signs of sexual predation and to protect children from

sexual abuse and other harm, failing to warn J.E.D., his parents, and other parents of the danger of

sexual abuse, and failing to create a safe and secure environment for J.E.D. and other children who

were under their supervision and in their care, custody, and control, the Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and

All Saint's Regional acted willfully and with conscious disregard for the need to protect J.E.D.

The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional through their actions and inactions created an

environment that placed J.E.D. in danger of unreasonable risks of harm under the circumstances.

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It was reasonably foreseeable that defendants' breach of these duties of care would

result in the sexual abuse of J.E.D.

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608. As a direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of the Diocese, St.

Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional, Father Kozlowski groomed and sexually abused J.E.D., which

has caused J.E.D. to suffer general and special damages as more fully described herein.

В. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – OUTRAGE AND INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

Plaintiff J.E.D. repeats and re-alleges all of his allegations above and below. 609.

610. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional engaged in reckless, extreme,

and outrageous conduct by providing Father Kozlowski with access to children, including plaintiff

J.E.D., despite knowing that he would likely use his position to groom and to sexually abuse them,

including J.E.D. Their misconduct was so shocking and outrageous that it exceeds the reasonable

bounds of decency as measured by what the average member of the community would tolerate and

demonstrates an utter disregard by them of the consequences that would follow.

611. As a result of this reckless, extreme, and outrageous conduct, Father Kozlowski

gained access to J.E.D. and sexually abused him.

612. The Diocese, St. Hyacinth, and All Saint's Regional knew that this reckless,

extreme, and outrageous conduct would inflict severe emotional and psychological distress,

including personal physical injury, on others, and J.E.D. did in fact suffer severe emotional and

psychological distress and personal physical injury as a result, including severe mental anguish,

humiliation and emotional and physical distress.

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CPLR 1603 – NO APPORTIONMENT OF LIABILITY

Pursuant to CPLR 1603, the foregoing causes of action are exempt from the 613.

operation of CPLR 1601 by reason of one or more of the exemptions provided in CPLR 1602,

including but not limited to, CPLR 1602(2), CPLR 1602(5), 1602(7) and 1602(11), thus precluding

defendants from limiting their liability by apportioning some portion of liability to any joint

tortfeasor.

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XIX. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

614. The plaintiffs demand judgment against the defendants named in their causes of

action, together with compensatory and punitive damages to be determined at trial, and the interest,

cost and disbursements pursuant to their causes of action, and such other and further relief as the

Court deems just and proper.

615. The plaintiffs specifically reserve the right to pursue additional causes of action,

other than those outlined above, that are supported by the facts pleaded or that may be supported

by other facts learned in discovery.

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Respectfully Yours,

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